

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Appointing Allison Ramirez to the Tohono O'odham Nation Institutional Review Board)**

RESOLUTION NO. 21-142

1 **WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with**
2 **the authority to “promote, protect and provide for public health, peace, morals,**
3 **education and general welfare of the Tohono O'odham Nation and its members...”**
4 **and to “provide for, appoint, or provide for the appointment of, and prescribe the**
5 **duties and powers of committees, boards, officers and agents...” (Constitution,**
6 **Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) and Section 1(b)); and**

7 **WHEREAS, the Nation’s Research Code, enacted May 23, 2013, establishes a permit**
8 **requirement for any researcher seeking to conduct research on the Nation, a**
9 **Nation’s Institutional Review Board to review and consider research proposals,**
10 **and a requirement that researchers enter into a research agreement with the**
11 **Nation (17 Tohono O'odham Code Chapter 8); and**

12 **WHEREAS, the Nation’s Institutional Review Board is comprised of five enrolled Nation’s**
13 **members with sufficient education and experience in different fields (17 Tohono**
14 **O'odham Code Chapter 8, Section 8104); and**

15 **WHEREAS, Institutional Review Board members are nominated by the Nation’s chairperson**
16 **and appointed by the Legislative Council for staggered three-year terms expiring**
17 **on September 30 of the third year, provided that members shall serve until**
18 **replaced (17 Tohono O'odham Code Chapter 8, Section 8104); and**

19 **WHEREAS, Chairman Ned Norris, Jr. has nominated Allison Ramirez, a Nation’s member for**
20 **the Institutional Review Board; and**

21 **WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 19-107 and in the absence of an Institutional Review Board with**
22 **a sufficient number of members for a quorum, the Legislative Council approved**
23 **Ms. Allison Ramirez’s “Use and Access to O'odham Labor and Water Following the**
24 **Gadsden Purchase” research proposal; and**

25 **WHEREAS, “No IRB member may participate in the initial or continuing review of any**
26 **research proposal in which the member has a conflict of interest...” (17 Tohono**
27 **O'odham Code, Chapter 8, Section 8107 (F)); and**

28 **WHEREAS, the Human Resources Development and Rules Committees have reviewed Allison**
29 **Ramirez’s resume, cover letter, and background investigation report and**
30 **recommend approval.**

31 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council appoints**
32 **Allison Ramirez, a Nation’s member over the age of 18 in accordance with Section**
33 **8104 (C)(5) of the Nation’s Research Code, to the Institutional Review Board for a**
34 **three-year term beginning on the effective date of this resolution and expiring**
35 **September 30, 2024, provided that she shall continue to serve until replaced and**

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further provided that she shall not participate in the continuing review of her research proposal approved by Resolution No. 19-107.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 04TH day of MAY, 2021 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,175.7 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and -0- ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) and Section 1(b) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Timothy Joaquin

Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

18 day of May, 2021

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

10 day of May, 2021

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 13 day of May, 2021 at 3:39 o'clock, P.m., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of submittal.

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Timothy Joaquin

Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

APPROVED

on the 13th day of May, 2021

DISAPPROVED

at 3:40 o'clock, P.m.

Ned Norris, Jr.

NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

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1 **Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 13 day of**
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3 May, 2021, at 3:42 o'clock, P.m.
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7 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**
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